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**Description** A package for the management and quantitative analysis of textual data with R. quanteda makes it easy to manage texts in the form of a corpus, defined as a collection of texts that includes document-level variables specific to each text, as well as meta-data for documents and for the collection as a whole, quanted includes tools to make it easy and fast to manuipulate the texts the texts in a corpus, for instance by tokenizing them, with or without stopwords or stemming, or to segment them by sentence or paragraph units. quanteda implements bootstrapping methods for texts that makes it easy to resample texts from pre-defined units, to facilitate computation of confidence intervals on textual statistics using techniques of non-parametric bootstrapping, but applied to the original texts as data. quanteda includes a suite of sophisticated tools to extract features of the texts into a quantitative matrix, where these features can be defined according to a dictionary or thesaurus, including the declaration of collocations to be treated as single features. Once converted into a quantitative matrix (known as a "dfm" for document-feature matrix), the textual features can be analyzed using quantitative methods for describing, comparing, or scaling texts, or topic modelling, or used to train machine learning methods for class prediction.

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bigrams Create bigrams

# Description

Create bigrams

# Usage

```
bigrams(text, window = 1, concatenator = "_", include.unigrams = FALSE,
...)
```

# Arguments

text	character vector containing the texts from which bigrams will be constructed
window	how many words to be counted for adjacency. Default is 1 for only immediately
	neighbouring words. This is only available for bigrams, not for ngrams.
concatenator	character for combining words, default is _ (underscore) character

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```
include.unigrams
if TRUE, return unigrams as well
... provides additional arguments passed to tokenize
```

#### Value

a character vector of bigrams

# Author(s)

Ken Benoit and Kohei Watanabe

# **Examples**

```
bigrams("The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.")
bigrams(c("The quick brown fox", "jumped over the lazy dog."))
bigrams(c("The quick brown fox", "jumped over the lazy dog."), window=2)
```

changeunits

change the document units of a corpus

# **Description**

For a corpus, recast the documents down or up a level of aggregation. "Down" would mean going from documents to sentences, for instance. "Up" means from sentences back to documents. This makes it easy to reshape a corpus from a collection of documents into a collection of sentences, for instance.

# Usage

```
changeunits(corp, to = c("sentences", "paragraphs", "documents"), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
corp corpus whose document units will be reshaped to new documents units for the corpus to be recast in passes additional arguments to segment
```

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```
paragCorpus
summary(paragCorpus, 100, showmeta=TRUE)
## Note that Bush 2005 is recorded as a single paragraph because that text used a single
## \n to mark the end of a paragraph.
```

clean

simple cleaning of text before processing

#### **Description**

clean removes punctuation and digits from text, using the regex character classes for punctuation and digits. clean uses the standard R function tolower to convert the text to lower case. Each of these steps is optional, but switched on by default, so for example, to remove punctuation and convert to lower, but keep digits, the command would be: clean(mytexts, removeDigits=FALSE)

#### Usage

```
clean(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
clean(x, removeDigits = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE,
  lower = TRUE, additional = NULL, twitter = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
clean(x, removeDigits = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE,
  lower = TRUE, additional = NULL, twitter = TRUE, ...)
```

#### Arguments

```
The object to be cleaned. Can be either a character vector or a corpus object. If x is a corpus, clean returns a copy of the x with the texts cleaned.

additional parameters

removeDigits remove numbers if TRUE

removePunct remove punctuation if TRUE

lower convert text to lower case TRUE

additional additional characters to remove (regular expression)

twitter if TRUE, do not remove @ or #
```

#### Value

A character vector equal in length to the original texts, after cleaning.

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collocations

Detect collocations from text

# **Description**

Detects collocations (currently, bigrams) from texts or a corpus, returning a data.frame of collocations and their scores, sorted by the likelihood ratio  $G^2$  and Pearson's  $\chi^2$ .

#### Usage

```
collocations(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
collocations(x, method = c("lr", "chi2", "pmi", "dice",
    "all"), n = 2, top = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
collocations(x, method = c("lr", "chi2", "pmi", "dice",
    "all"), n = 2, top = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x a text, a character vector of texts, or a corpus

... additional parameters

method association measure for detecting collocations. Available measures for bigrams

"1r" The likelihood ratio statistic  $G^2$ , computed as:

$$2 * \sum_{i} \sum_{j} (n_{ij} * log \frac{n_{ij}}{m_{ij}})$$

"chi2" Pearson's  $\chi^2$  statistic, computed as:

$$\sum_{i} \sum_{j} \frac{(n_{ij} - m_{ij})^2}{m_{ij}}$$

"pmi" point-wise mutual information score, computed as  $\log n_{11}/m11$ 

"dice" the Dice coefficient, computed as  $n_{11}/n_{1.} + n_{.1}$ 

"all" returns all of the above

n length of the collocation. Only bigrams (n=2) implemented so far.

top the number of collocations to return, sorted in descending order of the requested

statistic, or  $G^2$  if none is specified.

#### Value

A data.frame of collocations, their frequencies, and the computed association measure.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

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#### References

Add some.

#### See Also

bigrams, trigrams

#### **Examples**

```
collocations(inaugTexts, top=10)
collocations(inaugCorpus, top=10, method="chi2")
```

compoundWords

convert phrases into single tokens

#### **Description**

Replace multi-word phrases in text(s) with a compound version of the phrases concatenated with connector (by default, the "\_" character) to form a single token. This prevents tokenization of the phrases during subsequent processing by eliminating the whitespace delimiter.

#### Usage

```
compoundWords(txts, dictionary, connector = "_")
```

# Arguments

txts character or character vector of texts

dictionary a list or named list (such as a quanteda dictionary) that contains some phrases,

defined as multiple words delimited by whitespace. These can be up to 9 words

long.

connector the concatenation character that will connect the words making up the multi-

word phrases. The default \_ is highly recommended since it will not be removed during normal cleaning and tokenization (while nearly all other punctuation characters, at least those in the POSIX class [[:punct:]]) will be removed.

#### Value

character or character vector of texts with phrases replaced by compound "words" joined by the connector

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corpus

Constructor for corpus objects

#### **Description**

Creates a corpus from a document source. The current available document sources are:

- a character vector (as in R class char) of texts;
- a directory of text files, using directory;
- a directory constructed from a zip file consisting of text files, using zipfiles; and
- a **tm** VCorpus class corpus object, meaning that anything you can use to create a **tm** corpus, including all of the tm plugins plus the built-in functions of tm for importing pdf, Word, and XML documents, can be used to create a quanteda corpus.

Corpus-level meta-data can be specified at creation, containing (for example) citation information and notes, as can document-level variables and document-level meta-data.

#### Usage

```
corpus(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'directory'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, docnames = NULL,
  docvarsfrom = c("none", "filenames", "headers"), docvarnames = NULL,
  sep = "_", pattern = "\\.txt$", source = NULL, notes = NULL,
 citation = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'excel'
corpus(x, docnames = row.names(x), textCol = 1,
  docvarsfrom = NULL, source = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'twitter'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL,
  ...)
## S3 method for class 'facebook'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL,
  ...)
## S3 method for class 'VCorpus'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL,
  ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, docnames = NULL, docvars = NULL,
  source = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL, ...)
```

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```
is.corpus(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
c1 + c2
```

#### **Arguments**

A source of texts to form the documents in the corpus. This can be a filepath to a directory containing text documents (see directory), or a character vector of

texts.

... additional arguments

enc A string specifying the input encoding for texts in the corpus. Must be a valid

entry in iconvlist(), since the code in corpus character will convert this to UTF-8 using iconv. Currently only one input encoding can be specified for a collection of input texts, meaning that you should not mix input text encoding

types in a single corpus call.

docnames Names to be assigned to the texts, defaults to the names of the character vector

(if any), otherwise assigns "text1", "text2", etc.

docvarsfrom Argument to specify where docvars are to be taken, from parsing the filenames

separated by sep or from meta-data embedded in the text file header (headers).

docvarnames Character vector of variable names for docvars

sep Separator if docvars names are taken from the filenames.

pattern filename extension - set to "\*" if all files are desired. This is a regular expression.

source A string specifying the source of the texts, used for referencing.

notes A string containing notes about who created the text, warnings, To Dos, etc.

citation Information on how to cite the corpus.

textCol The column of the sheet that contains the texts the docvars from. By defauls,

takes everything except the textCol by sep or from meta-data embedded in the

text file header (headers).

docvars A data frame of attributes that is associated with each text.

c1 corpus one to be added c2 corpus two to be added

# **Details**

The + operator for a corpus object will combine two corpus objects, resolving any non-matching docvars or metadoc fields by making them into NA values for the corpus lacking that field. Corpuslevel meta data is concatenated, except for source and notes, which are stamped with information pertaining to the creation of the new joined corpus.

There are some issues that need to be addressed in future revisions of quanteda concerning the use of factors to store document variables and meta-data. Currently most or all of these are not recorded as factors, because we use stringsAsFactors=FALSE in the data.frame calls that are used to create and store the document-level information, because the texts should always be stored as character vectors and never as factors.

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#### Value

A corpus class object containing the original texts, document-level variables, document-level metadata, corpus-level metadata, and default settings for subsequent processing of the corpus. A corpus consists of a list of elements described below, although these should only be accessed through accessor and replacement functions, not directly (since the internals may be subject to change). The structure of a corpus classed list object is:

\$documents A data frame containing the document level information, consisting of texts, user-named docvars variables describing attributes of the documents, and metadoc document-level metadata whose names begin with an underscore character, such as \_language.

\$metadata A named list set of corpus-level meta-data, including source and created (both

generated automatically unless assigned), notes, and citation.

Settings for the corpus which record options that govern the subsequent processing of the corpus when it is converted into a document-feature matrix (dfm). See

settings.

\$tokens An indexed list of tokens and types tabulated by document, including informa-

tion on positions. Not yet fully implemented.

is.corpus returns TRUE if the object is a corpus

#### Note

\$settings

When x is a VCorpus object, the fixed metadata fields from that object are imported as document-level metadata. Currently no corpus-level metadata is imported, but we will add that soon.

#### See Also

docvars, metadoc, metacorpus, language, encoding, settings, texts

```
## Not run:
# import texts from a directory of files
summary(corpus(directory("~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/ukManRenamed"),
               enc="UTF-8", docvarsfrom="filenames",
               source="Ken's UK manifesto archive",
               docvarnames=c("Country", "Level", "Year", "language")), 5))
summary(corpus(directory("~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/ukManRenamed"),
               enc="UTF-8", docvarsfrom="filenames",
               source="Ken's UK manifesto archive",
               docvarnames=c("Country", "Level", "Year", "language", "Party")), 5))
# choose a directory using a GUI
corpus(directory())
# from a zip file on the web
myzipcorp <- corpus(zipfiles("http://kenbenoit.net/files/EUcoalsubsidies.zip"),</pre>
                    notes="From some EP debate about coal mine subsidies")
docvars(myzipcorp, speakername=docnames(myzipcorp))
summary(myzipcorp)
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
```

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countSyllables

Returns a count of the number of syllables in the input

# **Description**

This function takes a text and returns a count of the number of syllables it contains. For British English words, the syllable count is exact and looked up from the CMU pronunciation dictionary. For any word not in the dictionary the syllable count is estimated by counting vowel clusters.

# Usage

```
countSyllables(sourceText)
```

#### **Arguments**

sourceText

Character vector of texts whose syllables will be counted

# **Details**

This only works for English.

#### Value

numeric Named vector of counts of the number of syllables for each element of sourceText. When a word is not available in the lookup table, its syllables are estimated by counting the number of (English) vowels in the word.

```
countSyllables("This is an example sentence.")
myTexts <- c("Text one.", "Superduper text number two.", "One more for the road.")
names(myTexts) <- paste("myText", 1:3, sep="")
countSyllables(myTexts)</pre>
```

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describeTexts

print a summary of texts

#### **Description**

Prints to the console a desription of the texts, including number of types, tokens, and sentences

#### **Usage**

```
describeTexts(txts, verbose = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

txts The texts to be described

verbose Default is TRUE. Set to false to suppress output messages

# **Examples**

```
describeTexts(c("testing this text", "and this one"))
describeTexts(uk2010immig)
```

dfm

Create a document-feature matrix from a corpus object

# Description

Returns a document by feature matrix with additional meta-information (settings, identification of training texts for supervised models, resampling information, etc.) that is useful in other quanteda functions. A typical usage would be to produce a word-frequency matrix where the cells are counts of words by document, but the definition of "features" is entirely general.

# Usage

```
dfm(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
dfm(x, feature = c("word"), stem = FALSE,
    stopwords = NULL, bigram = FALSE, groups = NULL, verbose = TRUE,
    dictionary = NULL, thesaurus = NULL, dictionary_regex = FALSE,
    keep = NULL, bootstrap = FALSE, addto = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
dfm(x, feature = c("word"), stem = FALSE,
    stopwords = NULL, bigram = FALSE, verbose = TRUE, dictionary = NULL,
    thesaurus = NULL, dictionary_regex = FALSE, keep = NULL, addto = NULL,
    ...)

is.dfm(x)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x Corpus or character vector from which to generate the document-feature matrix

... additional arguments passed to clean

feature Feature to count (e.g. words)

stem Stem the words

stopwords A character vector of stopwords that will be removed from the text when con-

structing the dfm. If NULL (default) then no stopwords will be applied. If

"TRUE" then it currently defaults to stopwords.

bigram include bigrams as well as unigram features, if TRUE

groups Grouping variable for aggregating documents

verbose Get info to screen on the progress

dictionary A list of character vector dictionary entries, including regular expressions (see

examples)

thesaurus A list of character vector "thesaurus" entries, in a dictionary list format, which

can also include regular expressions if dictionary\_regex is TRUE (see examples). Note that unlike dictionaries, each entry in a thesaurus key must be unique, otherwise only the first match in the list will be used. Thesaurus keys are converted to upper case to create a feature label in the dfm, as a reminder that this

was not a type found in the text, but rather the label of a thesaurus key.

dictionary\_regex

TRUE means the dictionary is already in regular expression format, otherwise it

will be converted from "wildcard" format

keep a regular expression specifying which features to keep

bootstrap if TRUE, compute multiple dfm's from resampled texts in the corpus. Requires a

resampled corpus. See resample.

addto NULL by default, but if an existing dfm object is specified, then the new dfm

will be added to the one named. If both dfm's are built from dictionaries, the

combined dfm will have its Non\_Dictionary total adjusted.

#### **Details**

is. dfm returns TRUE if and only if its argument is a dfm.

as.dfm coerces a matrix or data.frame to a dfm

#### Value

A specially classed matrix object with row names equal to the document names and column names equal to the feature labels. Additional information is attached to this object as attributes, such as settings.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

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#### **Examples**

```
wfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)</pre>
## by president, after 1960
wfmByPresfrom1900 <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1900), groups="President")
docnames(wfmByPresfrom1900)
## with dictionaries
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1900)
mydict <- list(christmas=c("Christmas", "Santa", "holiday"),</pre>
               opposition=c("Opposition", "reject", "notincorpus"),
               taxing="taxing",
               taxation="taxation",
               taxregex="tax*",
               country="united states")
dictDfm <- dfm(mycorpus, dictionary=mydict)</pre>
print(dictDfm, show.values=TRUE)
## with the thesaurus feature
mytexts <- c("The new law included a capital gains tax, and an inheritance tax.",
             "New York City has raised a taxes: an income tax and a sales tax.")
mydict <- list(tax=c("tax", "income tax", "capital gains tax", "inheritance tax"))</pre>
print(dfm(compoundWords(mytexts, mydict),
          thesaurus=lapply(mydict, function(x) gsub("\\s", "_", x))),
      show.values=TRUE)
# pick up "taxes" with "tax" as a regex
print(dfm(compoundWords(mytexts, mydict), thesaurus=list(anytax="tax"), dictionary_regex=TRUE), TRUE)
## removing stopwords
testText <- "The quick brown fox named Seamus jumps over the lazy dog also named Seamus, with
             the newspaper from a a boy named Seamus, in his mouth."
testCorpus <- corpus(testText)</pre>
settings(testCorpus, "stopwords")
print(dfm(testCorpus, stopwords=TRUE), TRUE)
## keep only certain words
print(dfm(testCorpus, keep="s$"), TRUE) # keep only words ending in "s"
testTweets <- c("My homie @justinbieber #justinbieber getting his shopping on in #LA yesterday #beliebers",
             "To all the haters including my brother #justinbieber #justinbiebermeetcrystaltalley #emabigges
             "Justin Bieber #justinbieber #belieber #kidrauhl #fetusjustin #EMABiggestFansJustinBieber")
print(dfm(testTweets, keep="^#"), TRUE) # keep only hashtags
```

dfm2ldaformat

Convert a dfm into the format needed by lda

# **Description**

Convert a quanteda dfm object into the indexed format required by the topic modelling package lda.

#### Usage

```
dfm2ldaformat(d)
```

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#### **Arguments**

d A dfm object

#### Value

A list with components "documents" and "vocab" as needed by lda.collapsed.gibbs.sampler

# **Examples**

dfm2stmformat

convert a dfm to stm's input document format

# **Description**

Convert a quanteda dfm object into the indexed format needed for estimating a structural topic model from the **stm** package using stm.

# Usage

```
dfm2stmformat(data)
```

# Arguments

data dfm object to be convereted

# Value

A list containing the following elements:

documents A list containing the documents in the stm format.

vocab Character vector of vocabulary.

meta NULL

#### Note

Meta-data will need to be passed separately to stm as this information is not included in a dfm object.

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dfm2tmformat	Convert a dfm into a tm DocumentTermMatrix
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# **Description**

**tm** represents sparse document-feature matrixes in the simple triplet matrix format of the package **slam**. This function converts a dfm into a DocumentTermMatrix, enabling a dfm to be used with other packages that expect this format, such as **topicmodels**.

# Usage

```
dfm2tmformat(d, weighting = weightTf)
```

# **Arguments**

d A dfm object

weight function arguments passed to as. TermDocumentMatrix, defaults to term

frequency (see as.DocumentTermMatrix for a list of options, such as tf-idf).

#### Value

A simple triplet matrix of class as.DocumentTermMatrix

# **Examples**

```
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1970)
d <- trimdfm(dfm(mycorpus), minCount=5, minDoc=3)
dim(d)
td <- dfm2tmformat(d)
length(td$v)
if (require(topicmodels)) (tmodel.lda <- LDA(td, control = list(alpha = 0.1), k = 5))</pre>
```

dfms

create a sparse matrix dfm

# Description

Create a sparse matrix dfm from a vector of texts.

#### Usage

```
dfms(x, verbose = TRUE, clean = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

X	Character vector from which to generate the document-feature matrix
verbose	display messages if TRUE
clean	if FALSE, do no cleaning of the text
	additional arguments passed to clean

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#### Value

A specially classed Matrix object with row names equal to the document names and column names equal to the feature labels.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

# **Examples**

```
# with inaugural texts
dfmsInaug <- dfms(inaugTexts)</pre>
(size1 <- object.size(dfmsInaug))</pre>
(size2 <- object.size(dfm(inaugTexts)))</pre>
cat("Compacted by ", round(as.numeric((1-size1/size2)*100), 1), "%.\n", sep="")
## Not run:
# try it with approx 35,000 court documents from Lauderdale and Clark (200?)
load ('\mbox{\sc QUANTESS/Manuscripts/Collocations/Corpora/lauderdaleClark/Opinion\_files.RData') and the contraction of the c
txts <- unlist(Opinion_files[1])</pre>
names(txts) <- NULL</pre>
# dfms without cleaning
require(Matrix)
system.time(dfmsBig <- dfms(txts, clean=FALSE, verbose=FALSE))</pre>
object.size(dfmsBig)
dim(dfmsBig)
# compare with tm
require(tm)
tmcorp <- VCorpus(VectorSource(txts))</pre>
system.time(tmDTM <- DocumentTermMatrix(tmcorp))</pre>
object.size(tmDTM)
dim(tmDTM)
# with cleaning - the gsub() calls in clean() take a long time
system.time(dfmsBig <- dfms(txts, clean=TRUE, additional="[-_\\x{h2014}]"))
object.size(dfmsBig)
dim(dfmsBig)
# 100 top features
topf <- colSums(dfmsBig)</pre>
names(topf) <- colnames(dfmsBig)</pre>
head(sort(topf, decreasing=TRUE), 100)
## End(Not run)
```

directory

Function to declare a connection to a directory (containing files)

# Description

Function to declare a connection to a directory, although unlike file it does not require closing. If the directory does not exist, the function will return an error.

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#### Usage

```
directory(path = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

path

String describing the full path of the directory or NULL to use a GUI to choose a directory from disk

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# name a directory of files
mydir <- directory("~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/ukManRenamed")
corpus(mydir)
# choose a directory using a GUI
corpus(directory())
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

docnames

get or set document names

#### **Description**

Extract the document names from a corpus or a document-feature matrix. Document names are the rownames of the documents data.frame in a corpus, or the rownames of the dfm object for a dfm. of the dfm object.

docnames queries the document names of a corpus or a dfm

docnames <- assigns new values to the document names of a corpus. (Does not work for dfm objects, whose document names are fixed.)

# Usage

```
docnames(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
docnames(x)
docnames(x) <- value
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
docnames(x)</pre>
```

# **Arguments**

x the object with docnames

value a character vector of the same length as x

# Value

docnames returns a character vector of the document names docnames<- assigns a character vector of the document names in a corpus

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# **Examples**

```
# query the document names of the inaugural speech corpus
docnames(inaugCorpus) <- paste("Speech", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
# reassign the document names of the inaugural speech corpus
docnames(inaugCorpus) <- paste("Speech", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
#
# query the document names of a dfm
docnames(dfm(inaugTexts[1:5]))</pre>
```

docvars

get or set for document-level variables

# Description

Get or set variables for the documents in a corpus

# Usage

```
docvars(x, field = NULL)
docvars(x, field = NULL) <- value</pre>
```

# **Arguments**

corpus whose document-level variables will be read or set
 string containing the document-level variable name
 the new values of the document-level variable

# Value

```
docvars returns a data.frame of the document-level variables docvars<- assigns value to the named field
```

```
head(docvars(inaugCorpus))
docvars(inaugCorpus, "President") <- paste("prez", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
head(docvars(inaugCorpus))</pre>
```

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encoding

get the encoding of documents in a corpus

# **Description**

Get or set the \_encoding document-level metadata field in a corpus.

#### Usage

```
encoding(x, drop = TRUE)
encoding(x) <- value</pre>
```

#### **Arguments**

x a corpus object

drop return as a vector if TRUE, otherwise return a data. frame

value a character vector or scalar representing the new value of the encoding (see

Note)

#### **Details**

This function modifies the \_encoding value set by metadoc. It is a wrapper for metadoc(corp, "encoding").

#### Note

This function differs from R's built-in Encoding function, which only allows the four values of "latin1", "UTF-8", "bytes", and "unknown" (and which assigns "unknown" to any text that contains only ASCII characters). Legal values for encodings must be from iconvlist. Note that encoding does not convert or set encodings, it simply records a user declaration of a valid encoding. (We hope to implement checking and conversion later.)

excel

Function to declare a connection to an excel file

# Description

Function to declare a connection to a excel file.

#### Usage

```
excel(path = NULL, sheetIndex = 1)
```

#### **Arguments**

path String describing the full path to the excel file or NULL to use a GUI to choose

a directory from disk

sheetIndex The index of the sheet of the excel file to read (as passed to read.xlsx2)

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features.dfm

extract the feature labels from a dfm

# **Description**

Extract the features from a document-feature matrix, which are stored as the column names of the dfm object.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
features(x)
```

# **Arguments**

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the object (dfm) whose features will be extracted

#### Value

Character vector of the features

# **Examples**

```
features(dfm(inaugTexts))[1:50] # first 50 features (alphabetically sorted)
```

flatten.dictionary

Flatten a hierarchical dictionary into a list of character vectors

# Description

Converts a hierarchical dictionary (a named list of named lists, ending in character vectors at the lowest level) into a flat list of character vectors. Works like unlist(dictionary, recursive=TRUE) except that the recursion does not go to the bottom level.

# Usage

```
flatten.dictionary(elms, parent = "", dict = list())
```

# Arguments

elms list to be flattened

parent parent list name, gets built up through recursion in the same way that unlist(dictionary, recursi

vorks

dict the bottom list of dictionary entries ("synonyms") passed up from recursive calls

#### **Details**

Called by dfm()

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#### Value

A dictionary flattened down one level further than the one passed

#### Author(s)

Kohei Watanabe

#### **Examples**

getFBpage

Extract list of posts from a public Facebook page

# **Description**

getPage retrieves information from a public Facebook page. Note that information about users that have turned on the "follow" option on their profile can also be retrieved with this function. See Rfacebook package for additional methods to query the Facebook Graph API.

# Usage

```
getFBpage(page, token, since = NULL, until = NULL, n = 100,
  feed = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

page	A page ID or page name.
token	$An \ access \ token \ created \ at \ \texttt{https://developers.facebook.com/tools/explorer}.$
since	A UNIX timestamp or strtotime data value that points to the start of the time range to be searched. For more information on the accepted values, see: <a href="http://php.net/manual/en/function.strtotime.php">http://php.net/manual/en/function.strtotime.php</a>
until	A UNIX timestamp or strtotime data value that points to the end of the time range to be searched. For more information on the accepted values, see: http://php.net/manual/en/function.strtotime.php
n	Number of posts of page to return. Note that number can be sometimes higher or lower, depending on status of API.
feed	If TRUE, the function will also return posts on the page that were made by others (not only the admin of the page).

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#### Author(s)

Pablo Barbera

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# scraping the 100 most recent posts on Barack Obama's page
token <- 'YOUR_FB_TOKEN_HERE'
pg <- getFBpage('barackobama', token, n=100)
# creating corpus object
fbcorpus <- corpus(pg)
summary(fbcorpus)
# viewing the DFM using a word cloud
fbDfm <- dfm(fbcorpus, stopwords=TRUE, stem=TRUE)
plot(fbDfm)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

 ${\tt getRootFileNames}$ 

Truncate absolute filepaths to root filenames

# **Description**

This function takes an absolute filepath and returns just the document name

# Usage

```
getRootFileNames(longFilenames)
```

# **Arguments**

longFilenames Absolute filenames including a full path with directory

#### Value

character vector of filenames withouth directory path

#### Author(s)

Paul Nulty

```
## Not run:
getRootFileNames('/home/paul/documents/libdem09.txt')
## End(Not run)
```

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getTextDir

loads all text files from a given directory

# Description

given a directory name, get a list of all files in that directory and load them into a character vector using getTextFiles

# Usage

```
getTextDir(dirname, pattern = "\\.txt$", enc = "unknown")
```

# **Arguments**

dirname A directory path

pattern a regular expression pattern match for the input file names enc a value for encoding that is a legal value for Encoding

# Value

character vector of texts read from disk

#### Author(s)

Paul Nulty

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
getTextDir('/home/paul/documents/')
## End(Not run)
```

getTextDirGui

provides a gui interface to choose a gui to load texts from

# **Description**

launches a GUI to allow the user to choose a directory from which to load all files.

# Usage

```
getTextDirGui()
```

# Value

character vector of texts read from disk

# Author(s)

Paul Nulty

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# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
getTextFiles('/home/paul/documents/libdem09.txt')
## End(Not run)
```

getTextFiles

load text files from disk into a vector of character vectors points to files, reads them into a character vector of the texts with optional names, default being filenames returns a named vector of complete, unedited texts

# Description

load text files from disk into a vector of character vectors points to files, reads them into a character vector of the texts with optional names, default being filenames returns a named vector of complete, unedited texts

# Usage

```
getTextFiles(filenames, textnames = NULL, enc = "unknown",
   verbose = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

filenames a vector of paths to text files textnames names to assign to the texts

enc a value for encoding that is a legal value for Encoding

verbose If TRUE, print out names of files being read. Default is FALSE

#### Value

character vector of texts read from disk

# Author(s)

Paul Nulty

```
## Not run:
getTextFiles('/home/paul/documents/libdem09.txt')
## End(Not run)
```

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getTimeline	return a time-line of most recen	t Tweets from a given user
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# **Description**

Connect to the REST API of Twitter and returns up to 3,200 recent tweets sent by this user.

# Usage

```
getTimeline(screen_name, numResults = 200, filename = "default", key,
  cons_secret, token, access_secret, df = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

screen\_name user name of the Twitter user for which tweets will be downloaded

numResults number of tweets to be downloaded (maximum is 3,200)

file where tweets will be stored (in json format). If "default", they will be stored

in a file whose name is the screen name of the queried user. If NA or NULL, tweets

will be stored in a temporary file that will be deleted.

key Key for twitter API authentication cons\_secret for twitter API authentication

token String for twitter API authentication

access\_secret for twitter API authentication

df If TRUE, will return tweets in data frame format. If FALSE, will only store tweets

in json format in disk.

#### Author(s)

Pablo Barbera

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# Description

Function to declare a connection to a twitter search

# Usage

```
getTweets(query, numResults = 50, key, cons_secret, token, access_secret)
```

#### **Arguments**

query String describing the search query terms

numResults Number of tweets to return. Maximum of approximately 1500

key Key for twitter API authentication cons\_secret for twitter API authentication

token String for twitter API authentication

access\_secret for twitter API authentication

#### Value

The search results marked as a 'twitter' object for use by corpus.twitter()

inaugCorpus A corpus of US presidential inaugural addresses from 1789-2013

# **Description**

inaugCorpus is the quanteda corpus object of US presidents' inaugural addresses since 1789. Document variables contain the year of the address and the last name of the president.

inaugTexts is the character vector of US presidential inaugaration speeches

#### References

https://archive.org/details/Inaugural-Address-Corpus-1789-2009 and http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/inaugurals.php.

```
# some operations on the inaugural corpus
data(inaugCorpus)
summary(inaugCorpus)
head(docvars(inaugCorpus), 10)
# working with the character vector only
data(inaugTexts)
str(inaugTexts)
head(docvars(inaugCorpus), 10)
mycorpus <- corpus(inaugTexts)</pre>
```

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json

Function to read files with tweets in JSON format

#### **Description**

Function to read files with tweets in JSON format

#### Usage

```
json(path = NULL, source = "twitter", ...)
```

# **Arguments**

path String describing the full path of a directory that contains files in json format, or a vector of file names in in json format Source of data in JSON format. source

additional arguments passed to parseTweets

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# name a directory of files in json format
tweets <- json("~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/tweets")</pre>
corpus(tweets)
# read a single file in json format
tweets <- json("~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/tweets/BarackObama.json")</pre>
corpus(tweets)
## End(Not run)
```

kwic

List key words in context from a text or a corpus of texts.

#### **Description**

For a text or a collection of texts (in a quanteda corpus object), return a list of a keyword supplied by the user in its immediate context, identifying the source text and the word index number within the source text. (Not the line number, since the text may or may not be segmented using end-of-line delimiters.)

# Usage

```
kwic(x, word, window = 5, regex = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'character'
kwic(x, word, window = 5, regex = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
kwic(x, word, window = 5, regex = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x A text character scalar or a quanteda corpus. (Currently does not support char-

acter vectors.)

word A keyword chosen by the user.

window The number of context words to be displayed around the keyword.

regex If TRUE (default), then "word" is a regular expression, otherwise only match

the whole word. Note that if regex=TRUE and no special regular expression characters are used in the search query, then the concordance will include all words in which the search term appears, and not just when it appears as an entire word. (For instance, searching for the word "key" will also return "whiskey".)

#### Value

A data frame with the context before (preword), the keyword in its original format (word, preserving case and attached punctuation), and the context after (postword). The rows of the dataframe will be named with the word index position, or the text name and the index position for a corpus object.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit and Paul Nulty

# **Examples**

```
kwic(inaugTexts, "terror")
kwic(inaugTexts, "terror", regex=FALSE) # returns only whole word, without trailing punctuation
```

language

get or set the language of corpus documents

#### **Description**

Get or set the \_language document-level metadata field in a corpus.

#### Usage

```
language(corp, drop = TRUE)
language(corp) <- value</pre>
```

#### **Arguments**

corp a corpus object

drop return as a vector if TRUE, otherwise return a data. frame

value the new value for the language meta-data field, a string or character vector equal

in length to ndoc(corp)

#### **Details**

This function modifies the \_language value set by metadoc. It is a wrapper for metadoc(corp, "language").

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MCMCirtPoisson1d	Bayesian-MCMC version of a 1-dimensional Poisson IRT scaling model	

# **Description**

MCMCirtPoisson1d implements a flexible, Bayesian model estimated in JAGS using MCMC. It is based on the implementation of wordfish from the austin package. Options include specifying a model for alpha using document-level covariates, and partitioning the word parameters into different subsets, for instance, countries.

# Usage

```
MCMCirtPoisson1d(dtm, dir = c(1, 2), control = list(sigma = 3, startparams = 1)
 NULL), verbose = TRUE, itembase = 0, startRandom = FALSE, nChains = 1,
 nAdapt = 100, nUpdate = 300, nSamples = 200, nThin = 1, ...)
```

# Arg

guments		
The document-term matrix. Ideally, documents form the rows of this matrix and words the columns, although it should be correctly coerced into the correct shape.		
A two-element vector, enforcing direction constraints on theta and beta, which ensure that theta[dir[1]] < theta[dir[2]]. The elements of dir will index documents.		
list specifies options for the estimation process. These are: tol, the proportional change in log likelihood sufficient to halt estimation, sigma the standard deviation for the beta prior in poisson form, and startparams a previously fitted wordfish model. verbose generates a running commentary during estimation. See wordfish.		
Turn this on for messages. Default is TRUE.		
Item constraints for identifying the model. Options are:		
0 (default) Use the sum to zero constraint, on the item parameters, such that $\sum_i \psi_j = \sum_i \beta_j = 0$ .		
<b>integer or feature label</b> A index or column name from the input dfm indicating which item should be used as the reference category, for setting corner constrants on the item parameters such that $\psi_j = \beta_j = 0$ .		
<b>NULL</b> Do not use item constraints, and hope that the mode is identified by setting $\theta_i \sim N(0,1)$ .		
FALSE by default, uses random starting values (good for multiple chains) if TRUE		

Number of chains to run in JAGS. nChains nAdapt Adaptation iterations in JAGS. nUpdate Update iterations in JAGS.

nSamples Number of posterior samples to draw in JAGS.

nThin Thinning parameter for drawing posterior samples in JAGS.

Additional arguments passed through to MCMCirtPoisson1d and to JAGS. . . .

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#### **Details**

```
textmodel_wordfish
```

The ability to constrain an item is designed to make the additive Poisson GLM mathematically equivalent to the multinomial model for  $R \times C$  contingency tables. We recommend using the default setting of itembase=0, or setting a "neutral" feature to have  $\psi_0 = 0$  and  $\beta_0 = 0$ , for example the word "the" for a text count model (assuming this word has not been removed). Note: Currently the item-level return values will be returned in the original order suppled (psi and beta) but this is not true yet for the mcmc.samples value, which will have the constrained category as index 1. (We will fix this soon.)

#### Value

An augmented wordfish class object with additional stuff packed in. To be documented.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

```
## Not run:
library(quantedaData)
data(ie2010Corpus)
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus)</pre>
# estimate the maximium likelihood wordfish model from austin
wf <- textmodel_wordfish(ieDfm, dir=c(2,1))</pre>
# estimate the MCMC model, default values
wfMCMCstz <- textmodel_wordfish(ieDfm, method="mcmc", dir=c(2,1))</pre>
wfMCMCthe <- textmodel_wordfish(ieDfm, method="mcmc", itembase="the", dir=c(2,1))</pre>
wfMCMCuncon <- textmodel_wordfish(ieDfm, method="mcmc", itembase=NULL, dir=c(2,1))</pre>
# compare the estimates of \theta_i
require(psych)
pairs.panels(data.frame(ML=wf$theta,
                        MCMCbase=wfMCMC$theta,
                        MCMCuncon=wfMCMCuncon$theta),
             smooth=FALSE, scale=FALSE, ellipses=FALSE, lm=TRUE, cex.cor=2.5)
# inspect a known "opposition" word beta values
wfMCMCstz$beta[which(wfMCMCstz$words=="fianna")]
wfMCMCthe$beta[which(wfMCMCstz$words=="fianna")]
wfMCMCuncon$beta[which(wfMCMCthe$words=="fianna")]
# random starting values, for three chains
dtm.sample <- trim(dtm, sample=200)</pre>
wfMCMCsample <- MCMCirtPoisson1d(dtm.sample, dir=c(2,1), startRandom=TRUE, nChains=3)
## End(Not run)
```

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get or set corpus metadata

# Description

Get or set the corpus-level metadata in a quanteda corpus object.

# Usage

```
metacorpus(corp, field = NULL)
metacorpus(corp, field) <- value</pre>
```

#### **Arguments**

corp A quanteda corpus object

field Metadata field name(s). If NULL (default), return all metadata names.

value new value of the corpus metadata field

#### Value

For metacorpus, a list of the metadata fields in the corpus. If a list is not what you wanted, you can wrap the results in unlist, but this will remove any metadata field that is set to NULL.

For metacorpus <-, the corpus with the updated metadata.

# **Examples**

```
metacorpus(inaugCorpus)
metacorpus(inaugCorpus, "source")
metacorpus(inaugCorpus, "citation") <- "Presidential Speeches Online Project (2014)."
metacorpus(inaugCorpus, "citation")</pre>
```

metadoc

get or set document-level meta-data

# **Description**

Get or set the document-level meta-data, including reserved fields for language and corpus.

#### Usage

```
metadoc(corp, field = NULL)
metadoc(corp, field = NULL) <- value</pre>
```

# **Arguments**

field string containing the name of the metadata field(s) to be queried or set

value the new value of the new meta-data field

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#### Value

For texts, a character vector of the texts in the corpus.

For texts <-, the corpus with the updated texts.

#### Note

Document-level meta-data names are preceded by an underscore character, such as \_encoding, but when named in in the field argument, do *not* need the underscore character.

# **Examples**

```
mycorp <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1990)
summary(mycorp, showmeta=TRUE)
metadoc(mycorp, "encoding") <- "UTF-8"
metadoc(mycorp)
metadoc(mycorp, "language") <- "english"
summary(mycorp, showmeta=TRUE)</pre>
```

ndoc

get the number of documents or features

# Description

Returns the number of documents or features in a quanteda object.

# Usage

```
ndoc(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
ndoc(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
ndoc(x, ...)
nfeature(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
nfeature(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
nfeature(x)
```

# **Arguments**

```
x a corpus or dfm object... additional parameters
```

# Value

an integer (count) of the number of documents or features in the corpus or dfm

ngrams ngrams

#### **Examples**

```
ndoc(inaugCorpus)
ndoc(dfm(inaugCorpus))
nfeature(dfm(inaugCorpus))
nfeature(trimdfm(dfm(inaugCorpus), minDoc=5, minCount=10))
```

ngrams

Create ngrams

#### **Description**

Create a set of ngrams (words in sequence) from text(s) in a character vector

# Usage

```
ngrams(text, n = 2, concatenator = "_", include.all = FALSE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

character vector containing the texts from which ngrams will be extracted

the number of tokens to concatenate. Default is 2 for bigrams.

concatenator character for combining words, default is \_ (underscore) character

include.all if TRUE, add n-1...1 grams to the returned list

additional parameters

# Details

... provides additional arguments passed to tokenize

#### Value

a list of character vectors of ngrams, one list element per text

#### Author(s)

Ken Benoit, Kohei Watanabe, Paul Nulty

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nresample

get the number of resamples

# Description

Get the number of resamples from a corpus or dfm object

# Usage

```
nresample(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
nresample(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
nresample(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

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corpus object containing the texts to be resampled

#### Value

an integer as the number of resampled texts

plot.dfm

plot features as a wordcloud

# Description

The default plot method for a dfm object. Produces a wordcloud plot for the features of the dfm, weighted by the total frequencies. To produce word cloud plots for specific documents, the only way currently to do this is to produce a dfm only from the documents whose features you want plotted.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm' plot(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a dfm object

... additional parameters passed to to wordcloud or to text (and strheight, strwidth)

# See Also

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#### **Examples**

```
# plot the features (without stopwords) from Obama's two inaugural addresses
mydfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, President=="Obama"), verbose=FALSE, stopwords=TRUE)
plot(mydfm)

# plot only Lincoln's inaugural address
plot(dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, President=="Lincoln"), verbose=FALSE, stopwords=TRUE))

# plot in colors with some additional options passed to wordcloud
plot(mydfm, random.color=TRUE, rot.per=.25, colors=sample(colors()[2:128], 5))</pre>
```

predict.textmodel

predict a text model on new data

# **Description**

Apply a fitted text model to make predictions on test data.

implements class predictions using trained Naive Bayes examples

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'textmodel'
predict(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'textmodelfitted'
predict(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'naivebayes'
predict(object, newdata = NULL, scores = c(-1, 1), ...)

## S3 method for class 'wordscores'
predict(object, newdata = NULL, rescaling = "none",
    level = 0.95, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object	a fitted textmodel object (from textmodel)
	further arguments passed to or from other methods
newdata	A dfm or matrix object containing features found in the training object. If omitted, the original dfm on which the model was fit will be used.
scores	"reference" values when the wordscores equivalent implementation of Naive Bayes prediction is used. Default is c(-1, 1).
rescaling	none for "raw" scores; 1bg for LBG (2003) rescaling; or mv for the rescaling proposed by Martin and Vanberg (2007). (Note to authors: Provide full details here in documentation.)
level	probability level for confidence interval width

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#### Value

A list of two data frames, named docs and words corresponding to word- and document-level predicted quantities

docs data frame with document-level predictive quantities: nb.predicted, ws.predicted,

bs.predicted, PcGw, wordscore.doc, bayesscore.doc, posterior.diff, posterior.logdiff. Note that the diff quantities are currently implemented only for two-class solu-

tions.

words data-frame with word-level predictive quantities: wordscore.word, bayesscore.word

predict.wordscores returns a data.frame whose rows are the documents fitted and whose columns contain the scored textvalues, with the number of columns depending on the options called (for instance, how many rescaled scores, and whether standard errors were requested.) (Note: We may very well change this soon so that it is a list similar to other existing fitted objects.)

## Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

Ken Benoit, borrowed in places from Will Lowe, who probably borrowed from me at some early stage.

#### References

LBG (2003); Martin and Vanberg (2007)

print.dfm

print a dfm object

# **Description**

print method for dfm objects

# Usage

```
print.dfm(x, show.values = FALSE, show.settings = FALSE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x the dfm to be printed

show. values print the dfm as a matrix or array (if resampled).

show. settings Print the settings used to create the dfm. See settings.

... further arguments passed to or from other methods

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print.textmodel

print a textmodel object

# Description

print a class of textmodel object

## Usage

```
print.textmodel(x, ...)
print.textmodelfitted(x, ...)
print.textmodelpredicted(x, ...)
print.naivebayes(x, n = 30L, ...)
print.wordscores(x, n = 30L, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x textmodel object to be printed
... additional arguments passed to print
n max rows of dfm to print

quanteda

An R package for the quantitative analysis of textual data.

# Description

A set of functions for creating and managing text corpora, extracting features from text corpora, and analyzing those features using quantitative methods.

#### Author(s)

Ken Benoit and Paul Nulty

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readLIWCdict Import a LIWC-formatted dictionary	
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#### **Description**

Make a flattened dictionary list object from a LIWC dictionary file.

## Usage

```
readLIWCdict(path, maxcats = 10, enc = "")
```

# **Arguments**

path full pathname of the LIWC-formatted dictionary file (usually a file ending in

.dic)

maxcats the maximum number of categories to read in, set by the maximum number of

dictionary categories that a term could belong to. For non-exclusive schemes such as the LIWC, this can be up to 7. Set to 10 by default, which ought to be

more than enough.

enc a valid input encoding for the file to be read, see iconvlist

#### Value

a dictionary class named list, where each the name of element is a bottom level category in the hierarchical wordstat dictionary. Each element is a list of the dictionary terms corresponding to that level.

# Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
LIWCdict <- readLIWCdict("~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/LIWC/LIWC2001_English.dic")
## End(Not run)
```

readWStatDict

Import a Wordstat dictionary

## **Description**

Make a flattened list from a hierarchical wordstat dictionary

```
readWStatDict(path, enc = "", lower = TRUE)
```

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# **Arguments**

path	full pathname of the wordstat dictionary file (usually ending in .cat)
enc	a valid input encoding for the file to be read, see iconvlist
lower	if TRUE (default), convert the dictionary entries to lower case

#### Value

a named list, where each the name of element is a bottom level category in the hierarchical wordstat dictionary. Each element is a list of the dictionary terms corresponding to that level.

# Author(s)

Kohei Watanabe, Kenneth Benoit

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
path <- '~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/corpora/LaverGarry.cat'
lgdict <- readWStatDict(path)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

resample

resampling methods for a corpus

## **Description**

Draw a set of random resamples from a corpus object, at a specified level of resampling, and record additional "resampled texts" as document-level metadata, stored as \_resampleXXX for the XXXth resample.

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#### **Arguments**

X	corpus object containing the texts to be resampled
	additional arguments passed to segment
n	number of resamples to be drawn
unit	resampling unit for drawing the random samples, can be sentences or paragraphs.

#### **Details**

is.resampled checks a corpus or dfm object and returns TRUE if these contain resampled texts or the results of resampled texts

#### Value

a corpus object containing new resampled texts.

#### Note

Additional resampling units to be added will include fixed length samples and random length samples.

#### **Examples**

segmentSentence

segment texts into component elements

#### **Description**

Segment text(s) into tokens, sentences, paragraphs, or other sections. segment works on a character vector or corpus object, and allows the delimiters to be defined. See details.

```
segmentSentence(x, delimiter = "[.!?:;]")
segmentParagraph(x, delimiter = "\\n{2}")
segment(x, ...)
```

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```
## $3 method for class 'character'
segment(x, what = c("tokens", "sentences", "paragraphs",
   "other"), delimiter = ifelse(what == "tokens", " ", ifelse(what ==
   "sentences", "[.!?:;]", "\\n{2}")), ...)

## $3 method for class 'corpus'
segment(x, what = c("tokens", "sentences", "paragraphs",
   "other"), delimiter = ifelse(what == "tokens", " ", ifelse(what ==
   "sentences", "[.!?:;]", "\\n{2}")), ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

text or corpus object to be segmented
 delimiter defined as a regex for segmentation. Each type has its own default, except other, which requires a value to be specified.
 provides additional arguments to be passed to clean
 unit of segmentation. Current options are tokens, sentences, paragraphs, and other. Segmenting on other allows segmentation of a text on any user-defined value, and must be accompanied by the delimiter argument.

#### Details

Tokens are delimited by whitespace. For sentences, the delimiter can be defined by the user. The default for sentences includes ., !, ?, plus ; and :.

For paragraphs, the default is two carriage returns, although this could be changed to a single carriage return by changing the value of delimiter to "\n{1}" which is the R version of the regex for one newline character. (You might need this if the document was created in a word processor, for instance, and the lines were wrapped in the window rather than being hard-wrapped with a newline character.)

#### Value

segmentSentence returns a character vector of sentences that have been segmented segmentParagraph returns a character vector of paragraphs that have been segmented A list of segmented texts, with each element of the list correponding to one of the original texts.

```
# segment sentences of the UK 2010 immigration sections of manifestos
segmentSentence(uk2010immig[1])[1:5]  # 1st 5 sentences from first (BNP) text
str(segmentSentence(uk2010immig[1]))  # a 143-element char vector
str(segmentSentence(uk2010immig[1:2]))  # a 155-element char vector (143+ 12)
# segment paragraphs
segmentParagraph(uk2010immig[3])[1:2]  # 1st 2 Paragraphs from 3rd (Con) text
str(segmentParagraph(uk2010immig[3]))  # a 12-element char vector
# same as tokenize()
identical(tokenize(uk2010immig, lower=FALSE), segment(uk2010immig, lower=FALSE))
# segment into paragraphs
segment(uk2010immig[3:4], "paragraphs")
# segment a text into sentences
```

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```
segmentedChar <- segment(uk2010immig, "sentences")
segmentedChar[2]
# segment a corpus into sentences
segmentedCorpus <- segment(corpus(uk2010immig), "sentences")
identical(segmentedCorpus, segmentedChar)</pre>
```

settings

Get or set the corpus settings

## **Description**

Get or set the corpus settings

Get or set various settings in the corpus for the treatment of texts, such as rules for stemming, stopwords, collocations, etc.

Get the settings from a which a dfm was created

## Usage

```
settings(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
settings(x, field = NULL, ...)
settings(x, field) <- value
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
settings(x, ...)</pre>
```

# Arguments

x	object from/to which settings are queried or applied
	additional arguments
field	string containing the name of the setting to be set or queried $settings(x)$ query the corps settings
	<pre>settings(x, field) &lt;- update the corpus settings for field</pre>
value	new setting value

```
settings(inaugCorpus, "stopwords")
tempdfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
tempdfmSW <- dfm(inaugCorpus, stopwords=TRUE)
settings(inaugCorpus, "stopwords") <- TRUE
tempdfmSW <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
tempdfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus, stem=TRUE)
settings(tempdfm)</pre>
```

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## **Description**

settingsInitialize returns a list of legal settings, set to their default values

# Usage

```
settingsInitialize()
```

similarity

compute similarities between documents and/or features

# Description

Compute similarities between documents and/or features from a dfm. Uses the similarity measures defined in simil. See pr\_DB for available distance measures, or how to create your own.

## Usage

```
similarity(x, selection, n = 10, margin = c("features", "documents"), method = "correlation", sort = TRUE, normalize = TRUE, digits = 4)
```

## **Arguments**

x	a dfm object
selection	character or character vector of document names or feature labels from the dfm
n	the top $n$ most similar items will be returned, sorted in descending order. If $n$ is NULL, return all items.
margin	identifies the margin of the dfm on which similarity will be computed: features for word/term features or documents for documents.
method	a valid method for computing similarity from pr_DB
sort	sort results in descending order if TRUE
normalize	if TRUE, normalize the dfm by term frequency within document (so that the dfm values will be relative term frequency within each document)
digits	digits for rounding results

## Value

a named list of the selection labels, with a sorted named vector of similarity measures.

# Note

The method for computing feature similarities can be quite slow when there are large numbers of feature types. Future implementations will hopefully speed this up.

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#### **Examples**

```
# create a dfm from inaugural addresses from Reagan onwards
presDfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980), stopwords=TRUE, stem=TRUE)
# compute some document similarities
similarity(presDfm, "1985-Reagan", n=5, margin="documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), n=5, margin="documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), n=NULL, margin="documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), n=NULL, margin="documents", method="cosine")
similarity(presDfm, "2005-Bush", n=NULL, margin="documents", method="eJaccard", sort=FALSE)
## Not run:
# compute some term similarities
similarity(presDfm, c("fair", "health", "terror"), method="cosine")
# compare to tm
require(tm)
data("crude")
crude <- tm_map(crude, content_transformer(tolower))</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, removePunctuation)</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, removeNumbers)</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, stemDocument)</pre>
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)</pre>
findAssocs(tdm, c("oil", "opec", "xyz"), c(0.75, 0.82, 0.1))
# in quanteda
crudeDfm <- dfm(corpus(crude))</pre>
similarity(crudeDfm, c("oil", "opec", "xyz"), normalize=FALSE, digits=2)
## End(Not run)
```

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Additive smoothing of feature frequencies in a dfm

# **Description**

Smooths the feature counts by adding a small value (default 0.5) to remove zero counts. Zero counts are problematic for probability-based models.

#### **Usage**

```
smoothdfm(x, alpha = 0.5)
```

#### Arguments

x document-feature matrix created by dfm alpha The value to add to all counts. Default is 0.5

#### Value

The original dfm, with values weighted according to type function.

#### Author(s)

Paul Nulty

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#### **Examples**

```
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
dtm[1:5,1:10]
smDtm <- smoothdfm(dtm)
smDtm[1:5,1:10]</pre>
```

sort.dfm

sort a dfm by one or more margins

## **Description**

Sorts a dfm by frequency of total features, total features in documents, or both

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
sort(x, decreasing = TRUE, margin = c("features", "docs",
   "both"), ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x Document-feature matrix created by dfm

decreasing TRUE (default) if sort will be in descending order, otherwise sort in increasing order

margin which margin to sort on features to sort by frequency of features, docs to sort by total feature counts in documents, and both to sort by both

... additional arguments passed to base method sort.int

# Value

A sorted dfm matrix object

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Ken Benoit

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calculate lexical diversity

#### **Description**

Calculate the lexical diversity or complexity of text(s).

#### Usage

```
statLexdiv(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
statLexdiv(x, measure = c("TTR", "C", "R", "CTTR", "U", "S",
    "Maas"), log.base = 10, ...)
## S3 method for class 'numeric'
statLexdiv(x, measure = c("TTR", "C", "R", "CTTR", "U", "S",
    "Maas"), log.base = 10, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x a document-feature matrix object

... additional arguments

measure A character vector defining the measure to calculate.

log.base A numeric value defining the base of the logarithm.

#### **Details**

statLexdiv calculates a variety of proposed indices for lexical diversity. In the following formulae, N refers to the total number of tokens, and V to the number of types:

"TTR": The ordinary Type-Token Ratio:

$$TTR = \frac{V}{N}$$

"C": Herdan's C (Herdan, 1960, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998; sometimes referred to as LogTTR):

 $C = \frac{\lg V}{\lg N}$ 

"R": Guiraud's Root TTR (Guiraud, 1954, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998):

$$R = \frac{V}{\sqrt{N}}$$

"CTTR": Carroll's Corrected TTR:

$$CTTR = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2N}}$$

"U": Dugast's Uber Index (Dugast, 1978, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998):

$$U = \frac{(\lg N)^2}{\lg N - \lg V}$$

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"S": Summer's index:

$$S = \frac{\lg \lg V}{\lg \lg N}$$

"K": Yule's K (Yule, 1944, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998) is calculated by:

$$K = 10^4 \times \frac{(\sum_{X=1}^X f_X X^2) - N}{N^2}$$

where N is the number of tokens, X is a vector with the frequencies of each type, and  $f_X$  is the frequencies for each X.

"Maas": Maas' indices  $(a, \lg V_0 \& \lg_e V_0)$ :

$$a^2 = \frac{\lg N - \lg V}{\lg N^2}$$

$$\lg V_0 = \frac{\lg V}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\lg V}{\lg N}}}$$

The measure was derived from a formula by M\"uller (1969, as cited in Maas, 1972).  $\lg_e V_0$  is equivalent to  $\lg V_0$ , only with e as the base for the logarithms. Also calculated are a,  $\lg V_0$  (both not the same as before) and V' as measures of relative vocabulary growth while the text progresses. To calculate these measures, the first half of the text and the full text will be examined (see Maas, 1972, p. 67 ff. for details). Note: for the current method (for a dfm) there is no computation on separate halves of the text.

#### Value

a vector of lexical diversity statistics, each corresponding to an input document

#### Note

This implements only the static measures of lexical diversity, not more complex measures based on windows of text such as the Mean Segmental Type-Token Ratio, the Moving-Average Type-Token Ratio (Covington & McFall, 2010), the MLTD or MLTD-MA (Moving-Average Measure of Textual Lexical Diversity) proposed by McCarthy & Jarvis (2010) or Jarvis (no year), or the HD-D version of vocd-D (see McCarthy & Jarvis, 2007). These are available from the package **korRpus**.

## Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit, adapted from the S4 class implementation written by Meik Michalke in the **koRpus** package.

## References

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Michalke, Meik. (2014) koRpus: An R Package for Text Analysis. Version 0.05-5. http://reaktanz.de/?c=hacking&s=koRpus

Tweedie. F.J. & Baayen, R.H. (1998). How Variable May a Constant Be? Measures of Lexical Richness in Perspective. *Computers and the Humanities*, 32(5), 323–352.

## **Examples**

stopwords

A named list containing common stopwords in 14 languages

## **Description**

SMART English stopwords from the SMART information retrieval system (obtained from http://jmlr.csail.mit.edu/papers smart-stop-list/english.stop) and a set of stopword lists from the Snowball stemmer project in different languages (obtained from http://svn.tartarus.org/snowball/trunk/website/algorithms/\*/stop.txt). Supported languages are danish, dutch, english, finnish, french, german, hungarian, italian, norwegian, portuguese, russian, spanish, and swedish. Language names are case sensitive. Alternatively, their IETF language tags may be used.

Also now (>=0.6.3) includes Arabic stopwords.

stopwordsGet

access stopwords

# Description

This function retrieves stopwords from the type specified in the kind argument and returns the stopword list as a character vector The default is English. See stopwords for information about the list.

#### Usage

```
stopwordsGet(kind = "english")
```

## **Arguments**

kind

The pre-set kind of stopwords (as a character string)

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#### Value

a character vector or dfm with stopwords removed

#### **Examples**

```
stopwordsGet()
stopwordsGet("italian")
```

stopwordsRemove

remove stopwords from a text or dfm

#### **Description**

This function takes a character vector or dfm and removes words in the remove common or 'semantically empty' words from a text. See stopwordsGet for the information about the default lists.

# Usage

```
stopwordsRemove(text, stopwords = NULL)
## S3 method for class 'character'
stopwordsRemove(text, stopwords = NULL)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
stopwordsRemove(text, stopwords = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

text Text from which stopwords will be removed

stopwords Character vector of stopwords to remove - if none is supplied, a default set of

English stopwords is used

#### **Details**

This function takes a character vector 'text' and removes words in the list provided in stopwords. If no list of stopwords is provided a default list for English is used. The function stopwordsGet can load a default set of stopwords for many languages.

#### Value

a character vector or dfm with stopwords removed

```
## examples for character objects
someText <- "Here is an example of text containing some stopwords we want to remove."
itText <- "Ecco un esempio di testo contenente alcune parole non significative che vogliamo rimuovere."
stopwordsRemove(someText)
stopwordsRemove(someText, stopwordsGet("SMART"))
stopwordsRemove(itText, stopwordsGet("italian"))
stopwordsRemove(someText, c("containing", "example"))</pre>
```

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```
## example for dfm objects
docmat <- dfm(uk2010immig)
docmatNostopwords <- stopwordsRemove(docmat)
dim(docmat)
dim(docmatNostopwords)
dim(stopwordsRemove(docmat, stopwordsGet("SMART")))</pre>
```

subset.corpus

extract a subset of a corpus

# Description

Works just like the normal subset command but for corpus objects

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
subset(x, subset = NULL, select = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x corpus object to be subsetted.

subset logical expression indicating elements or rows to keep: missing values are taken

as false.

select expression, indicating the attributes to select from the corpus

... additional arguments affecting the summary produced

# Value

corpus object

## **Examples**

```
summary(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980))
summary(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1930 & President=="Roosevelt", select=Year))
```

summary.corpus

Corpus summary

#### **Description**

Displays information about a corpus object, including attributes and metadata such as date of number of texts, creation and source.

```
summary.corpus(object, n = 100, verbose = TRUE, showmeta = FALSE, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

object corpus to be summarized

n maximum number of texts to describe, default=100

verbose FALSE to turn off printed output

showmeta TRUE to include document-level meta-data

... additional arguments affecting the summary produced

## **Examples**

```
summary(inaugCorpus)
summary(inaugCorpus, n=10)
mycorpus <- corpus(uk2010immig, docvars=data.frame(party=names(uk2010immig)), enc="UTF-8")
summary(mycorpus, showmeta=TRUE) # show the meta-data
mysummary <- summary(mycorpus, verbose=FALSE) # (quietly) assign the results
mysummary$Types / mysummary$Tokens # crude type-token ratio</pre>
```

summary.textmodel

summary of a textmodel object

## **Description**

Summarize the results of a fitted or predicted textmodel object.

## Usage

```
summary.textmodel(object, ...)
summary.textmodelfitted(object, ...)
summary.textmodelpredicted(object, ...)
summary.wordscores(object, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object textmodel object to be summarized additional arguments to print

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syllableCounts

A named list mapping words to counts of their syllables

# Description

A named list mapping words to counts of their syllables, generated from the CMU pronunciation dictionary

## References

```
http://www.speech.cs.cmu.edu/cgi-bin/cmudict
```

# **Examples**

```
data(syllableCounts)
syllableCounts["sixths"]
syllableCounts["onomatopeia"]
```

textmodel

fit a text model

## **Description**

Fit a text model to a dfm.

Provides an alternative syntax for fitting text models, using the ~ notation as would be used by lm or glm.

## Usage

```
textmodel(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
textmodel(x, y = NULL, model = c("wordscores", "NB",
    "wordfish", "lda"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'formula'
textmodel(formula, data = NULL, model = c("wordscores",
    "NB"), ...)
```

# Arguments

X	a quanteda dfm object containing feature counts by document
	additional arguments to be passed to specific model types
у	for supervised models, a vector of class labels or values for training the model, with NA for documents to be excluded from the training set; for unsupervised models, this will be left NULL
model	the model type to be fit. Currently implemented methods are:

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wordscores Fits the "wordscores" model of Laver, Benoit, and Garry (2003). Options include the original linear scale of LBG or the logit scale proposed by Beauchamps (2001). See textmodel\_wordscores.

NB Fits a Naive Bayes model to the dfm, with options for smoothing, setting class priors, and a choice of multinomial or binomial probabilities.

formula An object of class formula of the form class  $\sim x1 + x2 + \dots$  (Interactions

are not currently allowed for any of the models implemented.) The x variable(s) is typically a dfm, and the y variable a vector of class labels or training values

associated with each document.

data dfm or data.frame from which to take the formula

method the model type to be fit

#### Value

a textmodel class list, containing the fitted model and additional information specific to the model class. See the methods for specific models, e.g. textmodel\_wordscores, textmodel\_NB, etc.

# Class hierarchy

Here will go the description of the class hierarchy that governs dispatch for the predict, print, summary methods, since this is not terribly obvious. (Blame it on the S3 system.)

# Author(s)

Paul Nulty

#### See Also

textmodel\_wordscores, textmodel\_NB, textmodel\_wordfish, textmodel\_lda, textmodel

```
require(quantedaData)
data(ie2010Corpus)
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus)
refscores <- c(rep(NA, 4), -1, 1, rep(NA, 8))
ws <- textmodel(ieDfm, refscores, model="wordscores", smooth=1)
bs <- textmodel(as.dfm(ieDfm[5:6,]), refscores[5:6], model="wordscores", scale="logit", smooth=1)
plot(ws$pi, bs$pi, xlim=c(-1, 1), xlab="Linear word score", ylab="Logit word score")

# prediction method for wordscores
predict(ws, ieDfm, rescaling="mv")

# wordfish
wf <- textmodel(ieDfm, model="wordfish", dir=c(2,1))</pre>
```

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textmodel\_ca

correspondence analysis of a document-feature matrix

# Description

textmodel\_ca implements correspondence analysis scaling on a dfm. Currently the method is a wrapper to ca.matrix in the **ca** package.

# Usage

```
textmodel_ca(data, smooth = 0, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

data the dfm on which the model will be fit

smooth a smoothing parameter for word counts; defaults to zero.

... additional arguments passed to ca.matrix

## Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

# **Examples**

```
library(quantedaData)
data(ie2010Corpus)
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus)
wca <- textmodel_ca(ieDfm)
summary(wca)</pre>
```

textmodel\_lda

latent Dirichlet allocation text model

# Description

textmodel\_lda estimates the parameters of Blei et. al. (2003) This function is a wrapper to LDA and CTM in **topicmodels**.

```
textmodel_lda(x, model = c("lda", "ctm", "stm"), k, smooth = 0,
  meta = NULL, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

X	the dfm on which the model will be fit
model	the class of lda-type model to fit. 1da for classic latent Dirichlet allocation; ${\sf ctm}$ for Blei and Rafferty's (2007) correlated topic model.
k	number of topics
smooth	a smoothing parameter for word counts, defaults to 0
meta	metadata passed to stm if fitting a structural topic model
	additional arguments passed to LDA

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

#### References

Blei, David M., Andrew Y. Ng, and Michael I. Jordan. 2003. "Latent Dirichlet Allocation." *The Journal of Machine Learning Research* 3: 993-1022.

Blei, David M, and John D. Lafferty. 2007. "A Correlated Topic Model of Science." *The Annals of Applied Statistics* 1(1): 17-35.

Roberts, M., Stewart, B., Tingley, D., and Airoldi, E. (2013) "The structural topic model and applied social science." In *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems Workshop on Topic Models: Computation, Application, and Evaluation*. http://goo.gl/uHkXAQ

```
library(quantedaData)
data(sotuCorp)
SOTUCorpus <- sotuCorp
presDfm <- dfm(subset(SOTUCorpus, year>1960), stopwords=TRUE, stem=TRUE)
presDfm <- trimdfm(presDfm, minCount=5, minDoc=3)</pre>
presLDA <- textmodel_lda(presDfm, k=10)</pre>
require(topicmodels) # need this to access methods below
terms(presLDA, k=10) # top 10 terms in each topic
                       # dominant topics for each document
topics(presLDA)
presCTM <- textmodel_lda(presDfm, model="ctm", k=10)</pre>
terms(presCTM, k=10) # top 10 terms in each topic
topics(presCTM)
                       # dominant topics for each document
# fit a structural topic model
if (require(stm)) {
    gadarianCorpus <- corpus(gadarian$open.ended.response, docvars=gadarian[, 1:3],</pre>
                         source="From stm package, data from Gadarian and Albertson (forthcoming)")
    gadarianDfm <- dfm(gadarianCorpus, stopwords=TRUE, stem=TRUE)</pre>
    {\tt gadarianSTM} \ {\tt \leftarrow} \ {\tt textmodel\_lda(gadarianDfm, "stm", k=3,}
                                   prevalence = ~treatment + s(pid_rep),
                                   data = docvars(gadarianCorpus))
    summary(gadarianSTM)
}
```

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textmodel_NB	Naive Bayes classifier for texts	

#### **Description**

Currently working for vectors of texts – not specially defined for a dfm.

# Usage

```
textmodel_NB(x, y, smooth = 1, prior = "uniform",
  distribution = "multinomial", ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x the dfm on which the model will be fit. Does not need to contain only the

training documents.

y vector of training labels associated with each document identified in train.

(These will be converted to factors if not already factors.)

smooth smoothing parameter for feature counts by class

prior prior distribution on texts, see details

distribution count model for text features, can be multinomial or Bernoulli

... more arguments passed through

#### **Details**

This naive Bayes model works on word counts, with smoothing.

# Value

A list of return values, consisting of:

call original function call

PwGc probability of the word given the class (empirical likelihood)

Pc class prior probability

PcGw posterior class probability given the word

Pw baseline probability of the word

data list consisting of x training class, and y test class

distribution the distribution argument
prior argument passed as a prior
smooth smoothing parameter

# Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

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#### **Examples**

textmodel\_wordfish

Poisson scaling text model

## **Description**

textmodel\_wordfish implements Slapin and Proksch's (2008) Poisson scaling model, also known as "wordfish", for a single dimension. This function is a wrapper to wordfish by Will Lowe and to MCMCirtPoisson1d.

# Usage

```
textmodel_wordfish(data, method = c("mml", "mcmc"), smooth = 0, ...)
```

# Arguments

data	the dfm on which the model will be fit. Does not need to contain only the training documents, since the index of these will be matched automatically.
method	method for estimating the model. mml for Lowe's implementation of marginal maximum likelihood in <b>austin</b> ; mcmc for a Bayesian-MCMC method implemented in JAGS.
smooth	a smoothing parameter for word counts; defaults to zero for the to match the LBG (2003) method. $$
	additional arguments passed to wordfish or to

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

#### References

Benoit, Kenneth and Thomas Daubler. 2014. "Putting Text in Context: How to Estimate Better Left-Right Positions by Scaling Party Manifesto Data." LSE and University of Mannheim manuscript.

Slapin, Jonathan B, and Sven-Oliver Proksch. 2008. "A Scaling Model for Estimating Time-Series Party Positions From Texts." American Journal of Political Science 52(3): 705-22.

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#### **Examples**

```
library(quantedaData)
data(ie2010Corpus)
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus)
wf <- textmodel_wordfish(ieDfm, dir=c(2,1))
summary(wf)</pre>
```

## **Description**

textmodel\_wordscores implements Laver, Benoit and Garry's (2003) wordscores method for scaling of a single dimension. This can be called directly, but the recommended method is through textmodel.

## Usage

```
textmodel_wordscores(data, scores, scale = c("linear", "logit"), smooth = 0)
```

## **Arguments**

data	the dfm on which the model will be fit. Does not need to contain only the training documents, since the index of these will be matched automatically.
scores	vector of training scores associated with each document identified in refData
scale	classic LBG linear posterior weighted word class differences, or logit scale of log posterior differences
smooth	a smoothing parameter for word counts; defaults to zero for the to match the LBG (2003) method.

# Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

#### References

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```
library(quantedaData)
data(LBGexample)
LBGexample <- as.dfm(LBGexample)
ws <- textmodel(LBGexample, c(seq(-1.5, 1.5, .75), NA), model="wordscores")
ws
# same as:
textmodel_wordscores(LBGexample, c(seq(-1.5, 1.5, .75), NA))
predict(ws)</pre>
```

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texts

get or set corpus texts

## **Description**

Get or replace the texts in a quanteda corpus object.

# Usage

```
texts(corp)
texts(corp) <- value</pre>
```

# Arguments

corp A quanteda corpus object

value character vector of the new texts

#### Value

For texts, a character vector of the texts in the corpus.

For texts <-, the corpus with the updated texts.

# **Examples**

```
texts(inaugCorpus)[1]
sapply(texts(inaugCorpus), nchar) # length in characters of the inaugual corpus texts
## this doesn't work yet - need to overload `[` for this replacement function
# texts(inaugTexts)[55] <- "GW Bush's second inaugural address, the condensed version."</pre>
```

tf

normalizes the term frequencies a dfm

# Description

Returns a matrix of term weights, as a dfm object

## Usage

tf(x)

#### **Arguments**

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Document-feature matrix created by dfm

#### Value

A dfm matrix object where values are relative term proportions within the document

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# Author(s)

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# **Examples**

```
data(inaugCorpus)
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
dtm[1:10, 100:110]
tf(dtm)[1:10, 100:110]</pre>
```

tfidf

compute the tf-idf weights of a dfm

# Description

Returns a matrix of tf-idf weights, as a dfm object

# Usage

```
tfidf(x, normalize = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
tfidf(x, normalize = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

x document-feature matrix created by dfmnormalize whether to normalize term frequency by document totals

## Value

A dfm matrix object where values are tf-idf weights

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Ken Benoit

```
data(inaugCorpus)
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
dtm[1:10, 100:110]
tfidf(dtm)[1:10, 100:110]
tfidf(dtm, normalize=FALSE)[1:10, 100:110]</pre>
```

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tokenize

tokenize a set of texts

# Description

Tokenize the texts from a character vector or from a corpus.

# Usage

```
tokenize(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
tokenize(x, simplify = FALSE, sep = " ", ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
tokenize(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

X	The text(s) or corpus to be tokenized
	additional arguments passed to clean
simplify	If TRUE, return a character vector of tokens rather than a list of length ndoc(texts), with each element of the list containing a character vector of the tokens corresponding to that text.
sep	by default, tokenize expects a "white-space" delimiter between tokens. Alternatively, sep can be used to specify another character which delimits fields.

# Value

A list of length ndoc(x) of the tokens found in each text.

A list of length ndoc(texts) of the tokens found in each text.

```
# same for character vectors and for lists
tokensFromChar <- tokenize(inaugTexts)
tokensFromCorp <- tokenize(inaugCorpus)
identical(tokensFromChar, tokensFromCorp)
str(tokensFromChar)
# returned as a list
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57])[[1]], 10)
# returned as a character vector using simplify=TRUE
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57], simplify=TRUE), 10)
# demonstrate some options with clean
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57], simplify=TRUE, lower=FALSE), 30)</pre>
```

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topfeatures	list the most frequent features

## Description

List the most frequently occuring features in a dfm

# Usage

```
topfeatures(x, n = 10, decreasing = TRUE, ci = 0.95) 
## S3 method for class 'dfm' 
topfeatures(x, n = 10, decreasing = TRUE, ci = 0.95)
```

## **Arguments**

x the object whose features will be returned
n how many top features should be returned
decreasing If TRUE, return the n most frequent features, if FALSE, return the n least frequent features
ci confidence interval from 0-1.0 for use if dfm is resampled

## Value

A named numeric vector of feature counts, where the names are the feature labels.

# **Examples**

```
topfeatures(dfm(inaugCorpus))
topfeatures(dfm(inaugCorpus, stopwords=TRUE))
# least frequent features
topfeatures(dfm(inaugCorpus), decreasing=FALSE)
```

 ${\tt trimdfm}$ 

Trim a dfm based on a subset of features and words

## **Description**

Returns a document by feature matrix reduced in size based on document and term frequency, and/or subsampling.

```
trimdfm(x, minCount = 1, minDoc = 1, minTotal = 0, sample = NULL,
   keep = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x document-feature matrix created by dfm

minCount minimum feature count

minDoc minimum number of documents in which a feature appears
minTotal minimum total feature threshold to retain a document
sample how many features to retain (based on random selection)
keep regular expression specifying which features to keep

verbose print messages

#### Value

A dfm object reduced in size.

## Author(s)

Ken Benoit adapted from code originally by Will Lowe (see trim)

## **Examples**

```
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
dim(dtm)
dtmReduced <- trimdfm(dtm, minCount=10, minDoc=2) # only words occuring at least 5 times and in at least 2docu
dim(dtmReduced)
dtmReduced <- trimdfm(dtm, keep="^nation|^citizen|^union$")
topfeatures(dtmReduced, NULL)
dtmSampled <- trimdfm(dtm, sample=200) # top 200 words
dim(dtmSampled) # 196 x 200 words</pre>
```

uk2010immig

Immigration-related sections of 2010 UK party manifestos

# Description

Extracts from the election manifestos of 9 UK political parties from 2010, related to immigration or asylum-seekers.

## **Format**

A named character vector of plain ASCII texts

```
data(uk2010immig)
uk2010immigCorpus <- corpus(uk2010immig, docvars=list(party=names(uk2010immig)))
language(uk2010immigCorpus) <- "english"
encoding(uk2010immigCorpus) <- "UTF-8"
summary(uk2010immigCorpus)</pre>
```

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weight

Weight the feature frequencies in a dfm by various methods

## **Description**

Returns a document by feature matrix with the feature frequencies weighted according to one of several common methods.

## Usage

```
weight(x, type = c("normTf", "maxTf", "logTf", "tfidf", "ppmi"),
   smooth = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

X

document-feature matrix created by dfm

type

The weighting function to aapply to the dfm. One of:

- normTf Length normalization: dividing the frequency of the feature by the length of the document)
- tf-idf Term-frequency \* inverse document frequency. For a full explanation, see, for example, (http://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/term-frequency-and-weighting-1.html). This implementation will not return negative values.
- logTf The natural log of the term frequency
- maxTf The term frequency divided by the frequency of the most frequent term in the document
- ppmi Positive Pointwise Mutual Information

smooth

Apply additivee smoothing to the matrix before weighting. TRUE by default, adding 0.5 to counts.

# Value

The original dfm, with values weighted according to type function.

## Author(s)

Paul Nulty

#### References

Manning, Christopher D., Prabhakar Raghavan, and Hinrich Schutze. Introduction to information retrieval. Vol. 1. Cambridge: Cambridge university press, 2008.

```
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
x <- apply(dtm, 1, function(tf) tf/max(tf))
topfeatures(dtm)
normDtm <- weight(dtm)
topfeatures(normDtm)
maxTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="maxTf")</pre>
```

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```
topfeatures(maxTfDtm)
logTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="logTf")
topfeatures(logTfDtm)
tfidfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="tfidf")
topfeatures(tfidfDtm)
pmiDtm <- weight(dtm+1, type="ppmi")
topfeatures(pmiDtm)

# combine these methods for more complex weightings, e.g. as in Section 6.4 of
# Introduction to Information Retrieval
logTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="logTf")
wfidfDtm <- weight(logTfDtm, type="tfidf")</pre>
```

wordfishMCMC

Bayesian-MCMC version of the "wordfish" Poisson scaling model

#### **Description**

wordfishMCMC implements a flexible, Bayesian model estimated in JAGS using MCMC. It is based on the implementation of wordfish from the austin package. Options include specifying a model for alpha using document-level covariates, and partitioning the word parameters into different subsets, for instance, countries.

#### Usage

```
wordfishMCMC(dtm, dir = c(1, 2), control = list(sigma = 3, startparams =
NULL), alphaModel = c("free", "logdoclength", "modelled"),
alphaFormula = NULL, alphaData = NULL, wordPartition = NULL,
betaPartition = FALSE, wordConstraints = NULL, verbose = TRUE,
PoissonGLM = FALSE, nChains = 1, nAdapt = 100, nUpdate = 300,
nSamples = 100, nThin = 1, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

dtm The document-term matrix. Ideally, documents form the rows of this matrix

and words the columns, although it should be correctly coerced into the correct

shape.

dir A two-element vector, enforcing direction constraints on theta and beta, which

ensure that theta[dir[1]] < theta[dir[2]]. The elements of dir will index docu-

ments.

control list specifies options for the estimation process. These are: tol, the proportional

change in log likelihood sufficient to halt estimatioe, sigma the standard deviation for the beta prior in poisson form, and startparams a previously fitted wordfish model. verbose generates a running commentary during estimation.

See wordfish.

alphaModel free means the  $\alpha_i$  is entirely estimated; logdoclength means the alpha is pre-

dicted with an expected value equal to the log of the document length in words, similar to an offset in a Poisson model with variable exposure; modelled allows you to specify a formula and covariates for  $\alpha_i$  using alphaFormula and

alphaData.

alphaFormula Model formula for hierarchical model predicting  $\alpha_i$ .

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alphaData Data to form the model matrix for the hierarchical model predicting  $\alpha_i$ .

wordPartition A vector equal in length to the documents that specifies a unique value partition-

ing the word parameters. For example, alpha could be a Boolean variable for EU to indicate that a document came from a country outside the EU or inside the EU. Or, it could be a factor variable indicating the name of the country (as long as there are multiple documents per country). Internally, wordPartition is coerced to a factor. NULL indicates that no paritioning of the word-level parameters

will take place (default).

betaPartition Boolean indicating that the  $\beta$  parameter should also be partitioned according to

wordPartition.

wordConstraints

An index with a minimim length of 1, indicating which words will be set equal across the wordPartition factors. NULL if is.null(wordPartition) (de-

fault).

verbose Turn this on for messages. Default is TRUE.

PoissonGLM Boolean denoting that the basic model should be estimated where log(alpha) is

~ dflat() as per The BUGS Book pp131-132

nChains Number of chains to run in JAGS.

nAdapt Adaptation iterations in JAGS.

nUpdate Update iterations in JAGS.

nSamples Number of posterior samples to draw in JAGS.

nThin Thinning parameter for drawing posterior samples in JAGS.

... Additional arguments passed through.

# Value

An augmented wordfish class object with additional stuff packed in. To be documented.

## Author(s)

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```
## Not run:
data(iebudgets)
# extract just the 2010 debates
iebudgets2010 <- corpus.subset(iebudgets, year==2010)

# create a document-term matrix and set the word margin to the columns
dtm <- create.fvm.corpus(iebudgets2010)
dtm <- wfm(t(dtm), word.margin=2)

# estimate the maximium likelihood wordfish model from austin
iebudgets2010_wordfish <- wordfish(dtm, dir=c(2,1))

# estimate the MCMC model, default values
iebudgets2010_wordfishMCMC <- wordfishMCMC(dtm, dir=c(2,1))

# compare the estimates of \eqn{\theta_i}
plot(iebudgets2010_wordfish$theta, iebudgets2010_wordfishMCMC$theta)</pre>
```

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```
# MCMC with a partition of the word parameters according to govt and opposition
# (FF and Greens were in government in during the debate over the 2010 budget)
# set the constraint on word partitioned parameters to be the same for "the" and "and"
iebudgets2010_wordfishMCMC_govtopp <-
    wordfishMCMC(dtm, dir=c(2,1),
    wordPartition=(iebudgets2010$attribs$party=="FF" | iebudgets2010$attribs$party=="Green"),
    betaPartition=TRUE, wordConstraints=which(words(dtm)=="the"))
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

wordstem

stem words

#### **Description**

Apply a stemmer to words. This is a wrapper to wordStem designed to allow this function to be called without loading the entire **SnowballC** package. wordStem uses Dr. Martin Porter's stemming algorithm and the C libstemmer library generated by Snowball.

## Usage

```
wordstem(words, language = "porter")
```

#### **Arguments**

words a character vector of words whose stems are to be extracted.

language the name of a recognized language, as returned by getStemLanguages, or a two-

or three-letter ISO-639 code corresponding to one of these languages (see refer-

ences for the list of codes)

#### Value

A character vector with as many elements as there are in the input vector with the corresponding elements being the stem of the word. Elements of the vector are converted to UTF-8 encoding before the stemming is performed, and the returned elements are marked as such when they contain non-ASCII characters.

#### See Also

```
wordStem; http://snowball.tartarus.org/.
```

```
# Simple example
wordstem(c("win", "winning", "winner"))
```

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zipfiles

unzip a zipped collection of text files and return the directory

## **Description**

zipfiles extracts a set of text files in a zip archives, and returns the name of the temporary directory where they are stored. It can be passed to corpus.directory for import.

#### Usage

```
zipfiles(zfile = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

zfile a character string specifying the name (including path) of the zipped file, or a

URL naming the file (see example); or NULL to use a GUI to choose a file from ....

disk

... additional arguments passed to unzip

#### Value

a directory class object containing the unzipped files

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